

Handout for Around the Year – Creating Memories in the Christian Family

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The following resources were either used in preparation for this talk, or found to be useful to explore some of the thoughts shared in the talk. The views on these websites or in the resources do not necessarily reflect my views, but if one explores them, they may find some useful, Biblically based, teaching tools and ideas.

<http://www.navpress.com> This website has information on through the Bible in a year reading programs by the Navigators

<http://www.jewfaq.org/shabbat.htm> - This website provides helpful information on a Jewish Sabbath.

Girl Meets God* and *Mud House Sabbath by Lauren F. Winner - These books give insight into the Jewish Sabbath as this young writer has a Jewish background and converted to Christianity as a young adult.

The Historic and Revised Lectionary - This website features the daily and weekly historic lectionary used by the Western Church for about 800 years. There have been minor changes from time to time, but it has essentially remained the same. The Missouri Lutheran Church established this web site. It also has the Revised Common Lectionary.

<https://www.lcms.org/pages/internal.asp?NavID=871>

Lutheran Lectionary Project – This is based off of the traditional one year lectionary common in Lutheranism. The Old Testament selections are the ones chosen new for the Lutheran Service Book. It is very user friendly.

<http://sanctus.org/lectionary.html>

Revised Common Lectionary This project was formed during the mid 1960's to the mid 1970's by an interdenominational committee called the Consultation on Common Texts, and it covers a three year cycle. Some denominations design their own lectionary based on it.

<http://lectionary.library.vanderbilt.edu/>

The World's Greatest Stories - George Sarris memorizes, then dramatizes many passages of Scripture word for word. Our family loves these, and have used them for many years. There are several audio/visual options with his work. These can be explored at **<http://www.worldsgreateststories.com/faqs.html>**

Max McClean - Fellowship For the Performing Arts - Our family has had the privilege of hearing Max McClean at our church and in a theatre setting. We found him very captivating. He has memorized sections of Scripture, and performs in public. He also has a complete read-through of the Bible, Genesis to Revelation, that has received glowing reviews. His work may be purchased at: <http://www.listenersbible.com> and **Amazon.com**

Zondervan's NIV Dramatized Complete Bible - Audio on MP3 CD ROM
We own this set and after reviewing several a couple years ago, we decided this was the best option for us at that time. It can be played on a computer or MP3 enabled CD player. This is also available on CD for a regular CD player. This as well as other new options for drama or straight forward Scripture reading are available at:
<http://www.christianbook.com> These products are also available on:
Amazon.com

Wikipedia - This is an on line encyclopedia that is quite helpful on information on the formation of the Julian, Gregorian and Christian calendars.
<http://en.wikipedia.org>

Calendar - Christ's Time for the Church - by Laurence Hull Stookey - This book is an insightful resource on the church calendar.

US Navel Observatory - This website is full of understandable and interesting information on the calendar. <http://aa.usno.navy.mil/faq/docs/easter.php>

The Voice of CRI, Institute - This website has a lot of helpful information about the church calendar and Biblical Feasts.
<http://www.cresourcei.org/cydatesC.html>

When All the World Was Waiting by Dorothy Van Woerkom - This book is currently out of print, but may be available on Amazon.com

Celebrate While We Wait by The Schroeder Family - This is currently out of print, but it may be available on Amazon.com
It has a helpful section for celebrating the 12 days of Christmas and devotionals for each of those days and instructions for making a yule log.

Before and After Christmas by Debbie Trafton O'Neal - This is a great resource for the Christmas season. It has a helpful section for celebrating the 12 days of Christmas and devotionals for each of those days.
<http://www.amazon.com>

Celebrate with Joy by Sondra Burnett - This book is written by a homeschooling mother and it includes insightful daily advent and 12 days of Christmas devotions and activities.

http://www.joybookcompany.com/contents/joyproducts_celebratewithjoy.html

I Spy Christmas - by Walter Wick and Jean Marzollo - a delightful book of photos that have “hidden” pictures related to the Christmas season that one attempts to find.

The One Year Book of Christian History - by E. Michael and Sharon Rusten - This is a fantastic daily look at God’s mighty hand in history. The readings, mostly focused on biographies of great Christians, are about 2 pages long. There is one for each day of the year. They are great for Lent and Advent, and even younger children will grasp much of each day’s story.

Operation World, a Day by Day Guide to Praying for the World - This book by Patrick Johnstone can be purchased from Interserve <http://www.interserveusa.org/php/resources/books.php> - The countries of the world are discussed on a page or two. It also provides a short geographical account of each nation, and its spiritual status, all of which helps one to pray specifically. A child’s version, ***You Can Change the World*** by Jill Johnstone is also available.

<http://www.operationworld.org/resources/index.html>

Operation World Website - This is a website based on the Operation World book. It features a country of the day, and is ready to be used instantly.

<http://www.operationworld.org>

The Messianic Passover Haggadah - by Barry and Steffi Rubin - This Haggadah and the accompanying information are very helpful resources for conducting a Passover meal. This particular Haggadah is one of the 2,000 to 3,000 or so variations available and is designed to celebrate Passover from a Christian perspective.

A Hebrew-Christian Passover Haggadah - by Dr. Elias E. Hidalgo - This is a free on line Haggadah , another guide book for a Passover celebration in a Christian manner.

<http://www.shalom-peace.com/Haggadah.html>

Seven Sevens to Celebrate the Way to Heaven - by Mary Ann Eagleson - This was written for our children when they were quite young, and includes 7 weeks of themes for Easter: foods, animals, crosses, symbols, last words of Jesus, Passover and the last week of Jesus’ life. Available at

www.tellitpub.com

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